

DEPARTMENTAL REGULATION		Number: 1044-005
SUBJECT: Animal Damage Control Policy Group	DATE: August 20, 1987	
	OPI: Animal Damage Control Policy Group	

1 PURPOSE

This regulation authorizes an Animal Damage Control (ADC) Policy Group within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

2 BACKGROUND

The ADC program was established by the Act of March 2, 1931. It was administered by the USDA until 1939 when it was transferred to the Department of the Interior. Pursuant to the Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-190, Congress again assigned authority and responsibility for administering the ADC program to the USDA. Responsibility and authority for administering the ADC program within the USDA have been given to the Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Inspection Services and further delegated to the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. In order to provide the Administrator with advice and policy guidance on varying aspects of ADC research and operations, it has been determined that a high level policy group should be established.

3 ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established the Animal Damage Control Policy Group, with the following membership:

- a Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Chairperson.
- b Administrator, Agricultural Research Service.
- c Administrator, Cooperative State Research Service.
- d Administrator, Economic Research Service.
- e Administrator, Extension Service.
- f Chief, Forest Service.

A working group made up of two representatives from each agency is also authorized. It will develop policy issues for consideration and action by the policy group.

4 MEETINGS

The Policy Group shall meet at the call of the Chairperson. The Deputy Administrator, ADC, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, shall serve as Executive Secretary of the Policy Group.

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